

20 Ways to Save Water
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1. Turn off water while you shave or brush your teeth. **Save 1 to 5 gallons/minute.**
2. Fill bathtub half full if you take a bath. **Save up to 12 gallons on a 24-gallon bath.**
3. Take five-minute showers if you take showers. **Save 2 to 10 gallons for every minute you cut back.**
4. Install a low-flow shower head. **Save up to 7.5 gallons per minute.**
5. Run only full loads of dishes in the dishwasher. **Save up to 15 gallons per load.**
6. Run only full loads of laundry if you do not have adjustable water levels. **Save up to 23 gallons for every load you don't run.**
7. Limit family members to four flushes per day. This will likely mean that the toilet isn't flushed every time it's used. **Save 1 to 5 gallons per flush.**
8. Install low-flow faucets, faucet restrictors or aerators. **Save 1 to 5 gallons per minute.**
9. Fix any leaky faucets. **Save up to 2,700 gallons per year.**
10. Get running or leaking toilets fixed. Or install a low-flow toilet. **Save up to 30 - 500 gallons per day.**
11. Reuse water whenever possible rather than pour water down the drain. Use shower and sink water on indoor plants or gardens.
12. Soak pots and pans instead of letting the water run over them while you scrape.
13. When washing dishes by hand, fill one sink or basin with soapy water and one with clean water. Dip in clean water to rinse.

14. Defrost food in the fridge, or use the defrost setting on your microwave rather than running water to thaw frozen foods.
15. Use the garbage disposal less often.
16. Chill water in the refrigerator for drinking instead of running the faucet to cool.
17. Don't use or install ornamental water features unless they recycle water.
18. Partially fill a sink or pan with water to wash produce, rather than running the water to wash them.
19. Use one glass per person per day to cut down on dirty dishes.
20. Shovel snow from the sidewalk onto your trees and bushes.